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WILBRAHAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES FROM JULY 27, 2015

The Conservation Commission meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

Members present: Christopher Brown, Chairman, George Reich, Tom Reavey, Jim Roberts and Stoughton Smead

Staff: Melissa Graves, Administrative Assistant

Discussion Twelve Mile Brook Forest Management Project

Several members of the Conservation Commission met with Carmine Angelone at Twelve Mile Brook to walk the site and discuss the forest management plan. The total harvest area consists of approximately 64 acres on the east and west side of the stream. Two different access points are being explored to avoid crossing the stream. The west side of the property consists of abundant invasive species and the east side has mostly native species. Mr. Angelone indicated that he would begin developing the forest cutting plan and have it ready for the next meeting. He will also begin the process of marking the trees onsite. This site will be handled a little differently than Thayer Brook. Mr. Angelone will mark the trees "to leave" on the east side of the parcel and mark the trees "to remove" on the west side. A buffer zone between the existing trail system and the harvesting will be implemented into the plan.

7:40 PM Request for Determination 651 Main Street (continued from July 13, 2015)
Proposed Ground-Mounted Solar Panel System (Tinkham Road)

This meeting with the developers was continued pending a submitted revised site plan. The revised site plan shows work proposed further from the flagged wetlands. There was confusion over the wetland; is it Bordering Vegetated Wetland or Isolated Wetland? There does not show any stream or bank to support it being Bordering Vegetated Wetland. Either way the area is outside jurisdiction of the Conservation Commission.

Motion: George Reich, close the public meeting and issue a Negative #4 and Negative #6 Determination
2nd: Jim Roberts

Unanimously in favor: George Reich, Tom Reavey, Jim Roberts and Stoughton Smead

Revised Motion: George Reich, close the public meeting and issue a Negative #1, Negative #4 and Negative #6 Determination

2nd: Jim Roberts

Unanimously in favor: George Reich, Tom Reavey, Jim Roberts and Stoughton Smead

Minutes: June 22, 2015

Motion: Jim Roberts, accept minutes as written

2nd: George Reich

Unanimously in favor: George Reich, Tom Reavey, Jim Roberts and Stoughton Smead

A motion was made by George Reich to authorize Carmine Angelone to begin developing the Forest Cutting Plan for Twelve Mile Brook

2nd: Jim Roberts

Unanimously in favor: George Reich, Tom Reavey, Jim Roberts and Stoughton Smead

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM. The Conservation Commission will reconvene at its next scheduled meeting on Monday, August 10, 2015 at 7:00 PM.

Submitted:

Approved As To Form And Content:

Melissa Graves, Administrative Assistant

Christopher Brown, Chairman

Date: _____

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